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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to take action in response to the Office Action mailed March 4, 2003. This extension of time is effective to allow timely filing of a response up to and including May 4, 2003.

A check in the amount of \$55.00, which includes the one-month extension of time fee is enclosed. If the fee submitted is incorrect or if any other fees are due in connection with this submission, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee that may be due in connection with this and the attached papers, or with this application during its entire pendency

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